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This correspondence is in response to the comments presented in the Post Allowance Communication filed September 14, 2009. The Examiner agrees with applicant's remark. The term "within" used in the reasons for allowance is not intended to mean inside the tire, but the broader definition pertaining to the tire. Therefore, applicant's remark is consistent with the Examiner's reasons for Allowance.

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